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HONGKONG, APRIL 2ND, 1910.

A good example of how a too vigorously directed reform is liable to lead to the creation of other evils hardly less dangerous than the one legislated against is shown in the case of the opium suppression movement in China. That China is sincere in her desire to entirely suppress the practice of opium smoking may be at once conceded, but it must also be conceded, even by the most enthusiastic of China's supporters in the new movement, that unless precautions are taken there is likely to result a good deal of undesired suffering and misery—perhaps even greater than that caused by the use of the drug. To take one point—the cause of the recent riots near Amoy. If poppy cultivation is to be prohibited, what is to take its place? In Szechuan, for instance, poppy cultivation is as important an agricultural operation as, say, wheat cultivation in Russia or rice cultivation in Japan. The demand made on the Szechuan farmers that they should cease to produce the principal source of their revenue is thus a very serious one. It is reported that an order has been issued that no poppy seed is to be sown henceforward, but apparently no effort was made by the authorities to assist the farmers in finding a source of revenue equal to that taken from them. The farmers, if the order be strictly carried out, will be reduced to very serious straits

much more serious to them than the evils of opium smoking. Further, such an order must upset the whole financial position of the province. New sources of revenue will have to be found, new taxes levied, new industries created, and while this last is a matter of impossibility it is certain that it is a matter of time. To get rid of this evil, therefore, many other evils will have to be created and a great deal of unhappiness caused. The argument, of course, is not directed against the suppression of the evil of opium smoking; it is directed against the use of those heroic measures which find such favour among enthusiasts at home. To some extent these heroic measures have been forced on the Chinese Government. Placed in the position of having to make plain to other countries interested in the trade that she is really desirous of eradicating the use of opium among her nationals, China has been led to enact measures and issue orders of an extreme description, such as the entire prohibition of poppy cultivation in provinces where it is the main, if not the only, source of revenue. Of course, it is possible that these extreme measures will not be strictly carried out, but even only from the point of view of frankness, it would have been better to frame orders of a less rigid character. The failure to carry out laws strictly inevitably arouses a certain amount of friction and inequality, which reformers of an enthusiastic type are quick to seize upon. Thus recently it was reported that the Chinese Board of Fuchow had overruled the orders of the local officials of the Kuching district for the closing of all the opium shops in the country. This fact was at once seized upon by Bishop Price, who communicated it to the Archbishop of Canterbury, who in turn laid it before Sir E. Grey, the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs. The reasonable opinion found by Sir E. Grey, that the action of the Fuchow Board was probably due to facts not within the cognizance of Bishop Price, presumably led to the matter being dropped, but it is easy to see how such instances as this can be developed into means for enforcing more stringently enactments which in themselves are excessively severe. The true safeguard lies in the evident sincerity of the Chinese officials to suppress the evil. If this is allowed to work itself out, no doubt China will one day be as free from the practice of opium smoking as any of the countries of the West. Whether the results will be so beneficial as ardent reformers believe is another question. At present it would seem as if some form of narcotic were necessary to mankind, whether it be in the mild form of tobacco or the strong form of opium and alcohol. The Japanese describe tobacco as the "calm producing weed," and it is this quality in narcotics which undoubtedly leads to their popularity. Modern medical science draws a rigid line between narcotics to which immunity can be achieved and those to which it is inborn, placing in the first order tobacco and in the last order alcohol and opium. The tobacco smoker never seeks to recall his first impressions, which are, indeed, generally very distasteful; but the opium smoker gradually increases his consumption in the hope of recalling those delightful dreams which his first acquaintance with the drug placed before him. The tobacco-smoker may thus go on for years consuming the same quantity of the herb, if not, indeed, reducing it so as to increase the pleasure to his palate; while the opium-smoker continues to increase his dose, according to his degree of immunity. That immunity to opium can be developed is shown in the case of India, where the drug has been in use for a very much longer period than China. China, in fact, is in the half-way stage, the susceptibility to the being drug still greater than the immunity, while in India the reverse is the case. The only explanation as to how this immunity is attained is that the unfit—those who succumb most eagerly to the temptations of the drug—are removed, leaving the perfectly immune and those less susceptible to continue the race. This has been the part played by alcohol; the races that have been long accustomed to it show very little susceptibility to its influence, indicating that a high degree of immunity has been attained; while those to whom it is a recent introduction show a susceptibility so great as sometimes to prove fatal to national life. China is thus retracing her footsteps in suppressing the use of opium. But as the stages which brought her to her present position on the question have been very gradual, so should be the stages she takes to eradicate the evil.

The Bandmann Opera Company leave to-day for Manila.

It is stated that rowing is to be introduced in Saigon, and boats for that purpose have been ordered in Hongkong.

The Kowloon Dock Staff concluded their series of dances with a "late night" yesterday. It proved very enjoyable.

An important rider was added by the jury in the conspiracy trial at the Supreme Court yesterday commenting on the procedure in the Land Office.

Mr. Justice Sweeney, of Singapore, and formerly an official in Hongkong, left by the P. and O. mail on Monday 24th for seven and a half months' leave in England.

It is rumoured that an official inquiry will be held shortly in the Straits Settlements to ascertain how many Government officials have vested interests in rubber land or shares.

Lieutenant Noel, C. S. Simon, R.G.A., and Mr. Harry Watkins, of Hongkong, have been elected Fellows of the Royal Colonial Institute, London.

Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Ltd., have forwarded us a series of nine pictorial postcards depicting "Life in Japan." They are sketched by Tom Browne, and have the humorous touch which we expect from that artist.

Opium is standing at the price it reached more than a week ago, namely, \$2,800 a chest. As the time for accepting delivery is nearing, speculators in Hongkong are anxious to dispose of their holdings.

The total output of the Chinese Engineering and Mining Company's three mines for the week ending 19th March amounted to 27,056.86 tons and the sales during the period to 24,943.28 tons.

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George H. Galloway, an Afro-American candidate for the Philippine bar examination, has made serious charges against one of the examiners, Felix Perez, alleging that he allowed certain Filipino candidates an opportunity to see the examination papers.

Four Chinese appeared before Mr. E. B. Hallifax, at the Magistrate's Court yesterday on a charge of obtaining passages aboard the s.s. *Hongkong* from Canton to Hongkong without having the necessary money to pay their fares. They were fined \$10 each.

Before Commissioner Basil Taylor, N., at the Marine Magistrate's Court yesterday the owner of a licensed passenger boat prosecuted the coxswain of the licensed steamer *Life* for disregarding the rules of the road. After hearing the evidence his Worship dismissed the case.

Under the heading "The Humour of It," the *Singapore Free Press* calls attention to the fact that the Secretaries of the Singapore & Johore Bahru Co., Ltd., who refused admission to the Press to the annual meeting because they feared the publication of incorrect reports, have had to correct mistakes in their own official report involving a matter of 8 per cent on their selling price.

A well printed and neatly illustrated Guide to Korea has been published by the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, which Company has made arrangements with the Railway Bureau whereby through connections have been made to important centres in the "Land of the Morning Calm." The letterpress and the illustrations certainly develop a desire to take advantage of the Company's facilities to travel.

The Rev. Father P. Gabardi, the Rector of the R. C. Cathedral, who was suffering from a severe nervous breakdown and laid up in the "Calvary" Workhouse, since last week has been advised by his physician to leave the Colony as early as possible. He has booked his passage to Milan by the next German mail. The Catholic community regret very much his impending departure and hope for his speedy recovery and return. The Rev. Fr. Arrah will assume charge of the Cathedral during his absence.

The master of the steam launch *Kwong Kan* was summoned before Commissioner Basil Taylor, N., at the Marine Magistrate's Court yesterday for disregarding the rules of the road and thereby running down a licensed trading junk. Defendant stated that the complainant's junk was travelling faster than his launch, and collided with another junk. He did not run the prosecutor's junk down, and was about thirty feet off when the collision occurred with the other boat. The further hearing of the case was adjourned.

The staff of agreement men employed on the British section of the Kowloon-Canton Railway is gradually being reduced. Two foremen, Messrs. Collins and Childs, who have been working at the Beacon Hill Tunnel since its inception, yesterday ended their contracts, and leave for England via America to-day. A number of friends entertained them to dinner at the King Edward Hotel last night, and the guests of the evening were sent off with the best wishes of those in attendance.

The death occurred in the Government Civil Hospital yesterday morning of Mr. J. Hirst, an overseer in the Public Works Department. Mr. Hirst went into hospital on the previous day, and his sudden death came as a painful surprise to the many friends he has made in the Colony. He had nearly concluded his agreement with the Works Department, and was looking forward to a trip home. Deceased was interred in the Happy Valley Cemetery yesterday afternoon. The cortege was met at the Monument by the band of the Buffs and a large number of other friends followed his remains to their last resting place. The burial service was accompanied with full military honours.

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TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

PRESIDENT'S OPTIMISM.

Tokyo, April 1st.

The meeting of shareholders in the Toyo Kisen Kaisha held to-day approved of the statement of accounts, the losses for the period being attributed to the Government's increased duty on crude oil.

The President, Mr. Asano, expressed himself as having the greatest confidence in the future of the Company, and pledged himself to surrender his personal property rather than that the shareholders should lose anything.

The meeting unanimously re-elected Mr. Asano as President.

The amount written off the loss account exceeds one million yen.

[REUTERS' SERVICE TO THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

OCEAN LINER FOUNDERS.

London, April 1st.

The liner "Pericles," bound from Australia for South Africa and England, went ashore and sank off Cape Leeuwin, Western Australia.

All on board were safely landed.

THE LORDS RESOLUTIONS AND THE BUDGET.

London, April 1st.

Mr. Asquith announced in the House of Commons that motions would be introduced limiting the time for discussion of the Lords resolutions and the Budget.

This is generally interpreted as indicating that the Government will not oppose the Budget, and that an election will take place early in May.

BRITAIN'S REVENUE.

London, April 1st.

The revenue for the year shows a deficit compared with the estimates of £81,148,544, making the income tax deficit of £28,805,000.

GENEROUS AMERICAN EMPLOYERS.

London, April 1st.

The proprietors of all railways on the Pennsylvania Railroad System have voluntarily raised the wages of employees under \$300 a month, which works out at an increase of six per cent. It involves 195,000 men and adds ten million dollars to the wages bill.

The Steel Trust has acted similarly. This action is attributed partly to the great prosperity of the country and partly to labour pressure.

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The Bandmann Opera Company closed a successful season in Hongkong last night with a very fine performance of that old favourite, "The Yeomen of the Guard." The beautiful music was admirably interpreted and the humour and pathos of the piece were adequately portrayed. Honours went to Miss Hebe Kneller for her artistic rendering of Elsie the strolling singer, to Miss Booth as Phoebe Meryll, to Mr. Arnold as Jack Point and to Mr. McGrath as Colonel Fairfax.

EXPLOSION ON THE U.S.S. CHARLESTON.

As announced in our telegraphic columns a few days ago, an explosion occurred on the U.S.S. *Charleston* whereby eight men were killed and three wounded. A three-inch breech block exploded while the cruiser was in the target range off Olongapo on Sunday night, March 27th.

The accident, says the *Cable News American*, occurred at 8.50 p.m. while the cruiser was firing at a moving target by the rays of a searchlight. The breech blew out with a muffled report and drove with terrific force through the gun crew, which had gathered about the gun, to witness the effect of the shot which had just been fired from the second gun on the starboard side. The flying block almost annihilated the whole gun crew and it is said that the sight was horrible. A court of inquiry will be held to investigate the affair and, if possible, to fix the responsibility.

SUPREME COURT.

Friday, 1st April.

IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR MR. REES DAVIES, J.C. (ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE).

THE HASTINGS CASE.

The trial of Lam Fuk Chin for conspiracy was resumed.

Mr. Slade in concluding his address to the jury, said the prosecution had proved the receipt by the conspirators of a large sum of money and the possession of a large sum by the prisoner on a particular day.

His Lordship said that was a matter for the jury.

Mr. Slade said it was a question of presumption on which his Lordship would direct the jury. There being a presumption of guilt, and the prisoner did not attempt to explain it away, it became a strong presumption against him.

Mr. Alabaster said the only question was not whether the defendant was in the conspiracy, but whether he had committed in one of the three crimes with which he was charged. The prosecution, which had been conducted in the most venomous spirit, had done nothing further than to twist him for not having called evidence for the defence, but there were four reasons why he did not do so.

The first was that it was the duty of the Crown to prove its case. It was not the prisoner's duty to prove that he was innocent. The second reason was that practically any evidence which the prisoner could have given had been extracted by Counsel in cross-examination. The third reason was that having obtained that evidence his learned friend would have had the technical advantage of addressing the jury last, which he did not want him to have. The fourth reason was that there was an Ordinance which laid down how far Counsel for the prosecution could go by way of comment. He trusted that his learned friend would have had sufficient experience to keep his feelings within check and restrain him from doing what he submitted according to Ordinance he should not have done.

Mr. Slade said his friend should not suggest that he had broken the law.

Mr. Alabaster said he would read the Ordinance.

Mr. Slade said the suggestion was that the Crown had deliberately broken the law.

Mr. Alabaster said he was entitled to read the section, which was to the effect that the failure of any person charged with an offence to give evidence should not be made the subject of comment by the prosecution. That was what his friend had done.

His Lordship, in addressing the jury, said in reference to the third count that in order to establish it they must be satisfied that prisoner well knew that the Crown lease was forged. He did not think there was any evidence on which they could presume guilty knowledge, and therefore he suggested that they return a verdict of not guilty on that count. His Lordship said there was no doubt a gross fraud had been committed, but the question was whether prisoner was a party to it, and he need scarcely remind them that the onus of proof was on the Crown; prisoner was not called upon to establish his innocence.

With regard to the other charges, if they could not believe the story of the Chinese broker in its material particulars it would be dangerous for them to convict. This man's story was in some respects curious, and apparently he posed as self-sacrificing himself in the public interest. It was for the jury to decide if they believed him. Speaking with regard to the contention that prisoner had \$7,000 of the spoils, his Lordship said it was certainly very suspicious that a pass-book containing an entry for that amount was found on prisoner when arrested. But that in itself was not sufficient to justify conviction.

The jury then retired to consider their verdict and returned after an absence of fifteen minutes, when the foreman announced that they found prisoner guilty by majorities of five to two on the first and second counts, but were unanimous that he was not guilty on the third. They wished to add a rider to the following effect:—"The jury are of the opinion that this trial has revealed the existence of very serious and very dangerous irregularities in the conduct of the business of the Land Office." They view with deep concern the fact that it has been possible for unauthorised persons to gain access to the Land Register and to so mutilate by erasures and alterations its record of rightful ownership of unencumbered property as to practically remove the title. They further think that such documents as original uncompleted Crown leases and their counterparts ought to have been kept in sufficiently safe custody to preclude the possibility of fraudulent persons gaining possession and perpetrating frauds such as that which has given rise to the present trial.

His Lordship—Your representations will receive full consideration.

Prisoner, asked if he had anything to say, made a lengthy statement in which he denied his guilt and accused witnesses of having sworn against him.

His Lordship said it was very deplorable to see a comparatively young man starting his career by fraud and corruption of this kind. It was proved that he had been guilty of participating in the fraud, and his Lordship urged prisoner on the expiration of his term of imprisonment to endeavour to lead an honest and straightforward life. He would be sentenced to one year's imprisonment with hard labour.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ (JUDGE).

Two cases were mentioned in which the defendant was Alex. Almazoff, formerly of the Salon Cinema. The first was one in which

J. H. Dorian sued him for \$640. Mr. M. Reader Harris appeared for the plaintiff, while defendant was unrepresented.

Mr. Leo D'Almada e Castro said he might mention for the information of the Court that defendant was in goal.

Mr. Harris—Are you instructed for him? Mr. D'Almada—No, I am not.

Mr. Harris said the debt was admitted and the claim had been sent in to the Receiver, Mr. Howell. He therefore would not ask for judgment at that stage.

The case was adjourned sine die.

In the other action Messrs. Weissman, Ltd., sued defendant for \$34.25. Mr. Crowther Smith being for plaintiff.

His Lordship—I understand defendant is in goal. Do you want it adjourned sine die or do you want him brought out?

Mr. Smith—If he consents to judgment I don't mind execution standing over sine die. This case also was adjourned sine die.

COULD NOT UNDERSTAND THE WRIT.

In the case in which M. Tohtchelatki sued D. Froiman for \$600, Mr. F. X. D'Almada e Castro appeared for plaintiff and Mr. M. Reader Harris for defendant.

Mr. Harris asked that his friend be ordered to supply particulars, as he had promised to do long ago, but had not yet done so.

Mr. D'Almada said he could supply a copy of the documents.

Mr. Harris—I don't want a copy of the documents. I want particulars of the claim. The writ shows absolutely no cause of action whatever.

Mr. D'Almada—The whole thing is an undertaking.

Mr. Harris—I am sure your Lordship will not be able to understand the endorsement on the writ any more than I do. It says it is due from somebody else and not my client.

His Lordship—It does seem rather vague.

Mr. D'Almada—It will probably require some slight amendment. Defendant has admitted it in Chambers.

Mr. Harris—Then it must be *res judicata*, and perhaps your Lordship will strike it out. I want to know if this is for damages. If so, that is another matter.

His Lordship—Frankly, it is impossible to understand this writ. But perhaps I had better fix a day for the hearing.

Mr. Harris—Your Lordship cannot fix a day for the trial of an action which your Lordship does not know anything about. If my friend shows a good cause of action we would pay immediately.

His Lordship—I think I had better put it on Friday's list, although there is no cause of action on the writ.

Mr. D'Almada—It means only a word or two to be put in.

His Lordship—It means a great many words, I am afraid.

His Lordship put the case in Friday's list, telling Mr. D'Almada that he had better read the writ, as it meant nothing at present.

CAPTAIN SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE SUED.

The Hon. Mr. F. J. Badley was sued in his capacity as Captain Superintendent of Police by Ida Winchart for the return of diamond earrings valued at \$1,000. Mr. M. Reader Harris was for the plaintiff, and Mr. H. L. Denney, Jr., for defendant.

Mr. Denney said in this case there was an interlocutor summons issued for to-morrow and he suggested that the case stand over.

Mr. Jackson—I appear for another claimant. The case might be dealt with in Chambers to-morrow.

Mr. Harris—As Mr. Jackson is appearing perhaps your Lordship could fix a day.

His Lordship—I think it had better stand over until to-morrow.

Mr. Harris—It will have to be heard in Court.

His Lordship—Yes.

The case was accordingly adjourned.

MISCELLANEOUS.

D. Dorabjee sued John Grant for \$34.85 for damages, etc. Mr. Jackson was for plaintiff, but defendant did not appear. Judgment was given for plaintiff.

An action in which John Lemm sued Mrs. Christie for \$350.25 was mentioned. It was stated that the case was in course of settlement and it was adjourned sine die.

LADY LUGARD.

As it was generally understood that Lady Lugard's health had improved since her return to England, it will be learned with surprise in Hongkong that her ladyship underwent an operation for appendicitis on March 9th, and that the bulletin issued the following day was favourable. Inquiries at Government House elicited the information that progress had been maintained.

ASSAULT AND ALLEGED ASSAULT.

Sir Hottung Chinese were placed in the dock at the Magistrate's Court yesterday on three separate charges of assault. As a native was walking along Aberdeen Street, the defendants are alleged to have attacked him with bamboo, and to have inflicted serious injury. Shortly after this the accused appeared in Hollywood Road where they assailed a Chinese coolie, and some fifteen minutes later a Chinese who was walking along the road in front of Government House was attacked by the defendants, who beat him soundly with bamboo. When he heard the evidence yesterday Mr. E. B. Hallifax fined two of the accused \$5 each, and bound them over in the sum of \$25 to keep the peace for six months. The other four men were remanded, bail being allowed in the sum of \$25.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The P. & O. S. N. Co's str. *Palawan* is expected to arrive at Penang on the 4th inst., at 6 a.m.

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By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1910. [486]

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS & CHINA OVERLAND TRADE REPORT

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 13th April, 1910, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Account to 31st December, 1909, and of declaring Dividends, &c. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from the 3rd April to the 13th April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 23rd March, 1910. [450]

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-FOURTH YEARLY ORDINARY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 13th April, 1910, at 12.30 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Account to 31st December, 1909, and of declaring Dividends, &c. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 3rd April to 13th April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 23rd March, 1910. [451]

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Certificates No. N. S. 2494 dated Hongkong, 1st April, 1908, for Ten Shares, numbered 59365 to 59374 inclusive; and Certificate No. N. S. 2823 dated Hongkong 14th October, 1898, for Forty Shares numbered 9230 to 9239, 56849 to 56858, 57302 to 57306, 65645 to 65646, 66448, 61150 to 61151 and 47486 to 47495 inclusive, all registered in the name of MATIAS SANCHEZ DE VILLANOS, and should these Certificates not be produced to the Bank before the 5th April, 1910, new Certificates for the Shares will be issued and the aforesaid Certificates Nos. N. S. 2494 and N. S. 2823 will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as Null and Void.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1910. [479]

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THE ANNUAL DEVONIAN DINNER will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, TO-NIGHT (SATURDAY), 2nd April, 1910, at 8 o'clock P.M. Devonians wishing to attend are requested to send their Names to—
M. S. NORTHCOTE,
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Hongkong, 19th March, 1910. [426]

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J. H. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 31st March, 1910. [470]

KOWLOON WATER SUPPLY.

THE PUBLIC are advised to BOIL ALL WATER used for Drinking purposes until further notice.

W. CHATHAM,
Water Authority.
Public Works Department,
Hongkong, 31st March, 1910. [478]

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

NOTICE is hereby given that from and after TUESDAY, the 29th March, 1910, the Office of the undersigned Solicitors and Notaries will be removed to the First Floor of ELLIOTT'S BUILDINGS, 10 Horse Street (Opposite the King Edward Hotel).
JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1910. [443]

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Partnership heretofore subsisting between the undersigned carrying on business as SHARE AND GENERAL BROKERS at No. 8, Queen's Road, Central, Victoria, under the Style or Firm of "VERNON & SMYTH" has been dissolved and the Interest and Responsibility of the undersigned JOHN YARDLEY VERNON VERNON in the said Firm has ceased as from the 31st March, 1910. All debts due to and owing by the late Firm of VERNON & SMYTH will be received and paid respectively by the undersigned FRANK SMYTH, who will continue to carry on the said business under the Style or Firm of "VERNON & SMYTH".
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Hongkong, 2nd February, 1910. [151]

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Hongkong, 1st April, 1910. [325]

AUCTION

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION No. 8.47.
PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 4th day of April, 1910, at 7 P.M., at the Office of the PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, by Order of His EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, of One Lot of OBOWN LAND at Bonham Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His MAJESTY THE KING, for one further term of 75 years.

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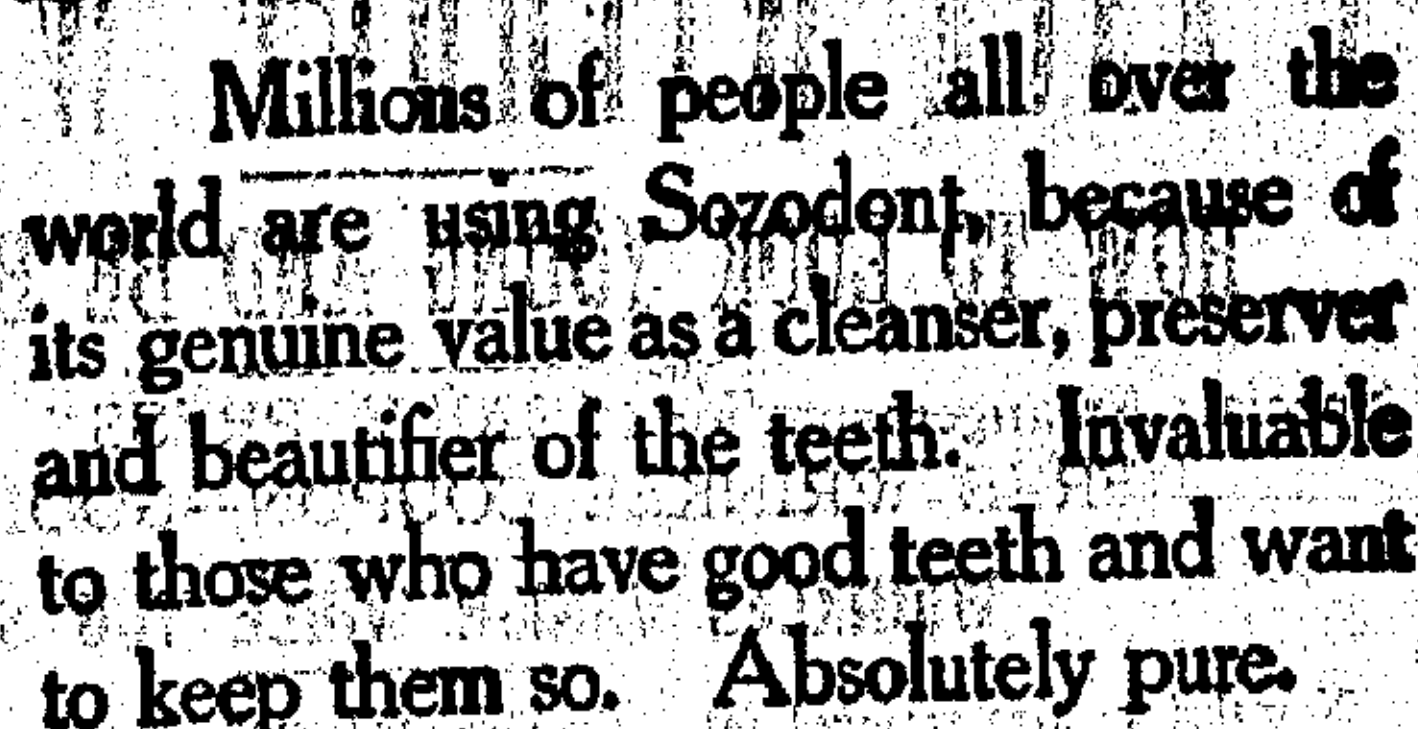
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NAPIER JOHNSTONES' "SQUARE BOTTLE" WHISKY.



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STARVING IN THE MIDST OF PLUNTRY. THE PAINFUL EXPERIENCE OF A DYSPYPTIC LADY IN HONGKONG.

"SHE JOYFULLY TELLS—AS THOUSANDS OF OTHER PAST SUFFERERS LIKE HER—HAVE DONE—OF COMPLETE CURE BY DR. WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS."

It is one thing to eat, it is quite another to derive nourishment from the food which is eaten. There are thousands of people who sit down regularly to meals yet remain weakly thin and weak, and the reason for this is that the digestive organs have lost the power of extracting from the food which is taken the nourishing properties necessary for the sustaining of health and strength.

Such was the case with Mrs. C. M. de Cruze, a lady residing at 16, 43rd Street, Hongkong, and—as is usual in such cases—she soon lost appetite, and became afflicted with those malady and ill which accompany acute indigestion.

"I had usually been able to enjoy the good things of life," remarked Mrs. de Cruze, "when relating the facts of my case, but not long ago I lost all appetite. The mere sight of food caused me to turn faint and sick. Even the faintest viands were repellant. The cause of this

PROVED TO BE INDIGESTION, and for months I never knew what it was to be free from the tortures arising from my inability to digest what little I managed to eat. After a meal the food would remain in my stomach like a heavy weight.

"I became so short of breath that I had difficulty in walking about. The undigested food gave rise to bad odors, and my head was so full of pain that I could not sleep. I was afflicted with heart complaint. I became very depressed; my strength gave way, and I was so weak and nervous that I hardly knew how to get through the day's duties.

"As time went on I had to live for days together on next to nothing. I was being SLOWLY STARVED TO DEATH.

"Frequently I trembled from head to foot, and dizziness often seized me, so that I had to sit down to ease myself from falling. I am constantly taking medicines of different sorts, but these common drugs caused internal irritation and only aggravated the indigestion.

"Finally a friend advised me to take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, she having read in the Hongkong papers of a remarkable cure of indigestion by this medicine. I took her advice, and in a short while there was a noticeable improvement. I was more cheerful and began to eat with appetite. Daily, as I continued the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, I gained in strength, my nerves became braced up and consequently the shakiness and trembling left me. I became able to take my meals again without any pain or discomfort.

"Now I am enjoying better health than I have known for years. It gives me great pleasure, therefore, to allow the publication of my case, as by so doing I hope other sufferers will be led to try the same remedy as I did, and I am sure they will not be disappointed.

The secret of the successful success of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People lies in the purifying and at the same time strengthening the blood, and that they create new blood. This good, rich, red blood speedily gives fresh strength to the system and enables it to cast off disease. Among the ailments for which Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are a proved remedy are: Anemia, Nervous Debility, Stomach troubles, Liver Disorder, Back-pain, Headache, Rheumatism, Lumbago, Neuritis, Sciatica, Paralysis, Beri-beri, Skin Eruptions, as well as those special ailments which trouble ladies between youth and middle-age. Obtainable from medicine vendors everywhere, also direct from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., 84, Southview Road, Shanghai, 1 bottle for \$1.50, 6 bottles for \$8 post free.

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Effectiveness guaranteed. English and Chinese directions. Full directions on wrapper.

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A warranted cure for all acquired or constitutional Discharges from the Urinary Organs in either sex. These famous Pills also cure Gonorrhea, Syphilis, and all Kidney Disorders. Free from mercury. Forty years' success. Sold by all Chemists and Storekeepers throughout the world.

TROPICAL DISEASES.

An interesting discussion was initiated in the House of Commons on March 3rd by Sir W. Collins (St. Pancras, W., Min.), who asked the attention of the Committee to the Vote of £10,000 for Entomological Research (Tropical Diseases). This vote, he said, was a new departure on the part of the Colonial Office and one that he hoped would be supported on all sides of the House. He hoped that in any further investigations made under the authority of the Colonial Office due regard might be had to previous investigations made by the Royal Society and also by the Portuguese Government. He wished to know whether it was proposed to include in the investigation not only the question of the disease of man but also the disease of animals, including the African horse fever to which Professor Koch of Berlin devoted a good deal of attention. He expressed the hope that the members of the Commission would be more capable of taking a wide philosophical view of the natural history of disease, and not merely bacteriologists to make laboratory experiments, which might lead to the same unsatisfactory conclusions as those which had resulted in the case of Professor Koch.

Mr. Churchill shared to the full the views of hon. members as to the immense importance of dealing with sleeping sickness by every means and by the most widely-concentrated action. Anything more tragic and melancholy than the ravages of this fell disease among the peaceful and intelligent natives of Uganda, it was hardly possible to imagine. He had every reason to believe that concerted action was being taken with other Protectorates to deal with the disease, the German, the Portuguese, and the Congo State. The Committee order which Lord Cromer presided, and which included among its members some of the greatest practical authorities in regard to tropical disease, was purely a committee of research, and was separate and independent altogether of the Liverpool and London Schools of Tropical Medicine. The Committee would send two very skilled investigators, one to the East and one to the West coast, to advise and report to it on any special cases which were involved, but which might be conceivably of priceless advantage not merely to our own fellow-countrymen serving beyond the seas, but to the great mass of the aboriginal population committed to their charge. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Greenwood (Peterborough, Min.) asked whether any part of this money would be devoted to vivisection experiments. A series of vivisection experiments on sleeping sickness had been carried out by Dr. Andrew Balfoer which involved an enormous amount of suffering to dogs and other animals, though it was not pretended that other benefits to science, which were involved, but which might be conceivably of priceless advantage not merely to our own fellow-countrymen serving beyond the seas, but to the great mass of the aboriginal population committed to their charge. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Tomkinson (Cheeship, Crowe, Min.) said he was a member of the Royal Commission which had not yet reported on the subject of vivisection, and he thought that the picture of the dog circled by the hon. member represented an animal experiment upon the Khartoum Laboratory. He also thought that interesting evidence had been forthcoming proving that protection from the bites of insects led to a large immunity from disease, while those who exposed themselves suffered a great deal.

Mr. Churchill said he had no apprehension that it was intended to put the money to the purpose which was feared by the hon. member. The methods of research adopted by the committee would probably be more of a therapeutic nature than of the nature of the experiments disliked by the hon. member. He could not possibly make and pledge to the Committee of any line of inquiry they thought to be desirable. If, however, they were to embark on the field of such experiments they would come back to him in his capacity as Home Secretary in watching over the working of the Vivisection Act, and he would certainly be guided in minimizing as far as possible the sufferings of animals.

Dr. Addison (Shoreditch, Hoxton, Min.) urged that the hands of the Committee should not be tied in any way. A striking feature about the vote was the smallness of the sum. The Americans at Panama had shown how research in tropical diseases enriched the Empire. He also urged that there should be a co-ordination of the various efforts that were being made by the Government in different parts of the world in respect of these diseases.

Mr. Rose explained that Lord Cromer was connected with an association whose object was to prevent anti-vivisection from impeding such a Committee as this of which they were speaking in its efforts to find out the nature of this terrible scourge.

The vote was agreed to, and the resolutions are reported to the House.

PEARY DOUBTED.

SOMETHING like a sensation was caused in Washington when the House Committee on Naval Affairs resumed its deliberations on the subject of an official recognition from Congress of the discovery of the North Pole by Commander Peary, Mr. E. M. Moore, representative for the State of Arkansas, recently denounced the commander as an impostor, and declared that his story had as many flaws in it as Dr. Cook's.

"How was it," he demanded, "that whilst the average rate of progress until Captain Bartlett was left behind was 9.06 miles a day it mysteriously averaged 25.4 miles after the separation, and the moment he rejoined his party this marvellous speed ceased?" This argument appeared to find much support in the Committee, for they unanimously decided not to take any steps until the Commander had submitted his proofs.

It will be remembered that three weeks ago the committee formulated a demand for the explorer's data, and declined to accept the decision of the National Geographical Society as final until they had had an opportunity of examining things for themselves. The committee had previously declined to pass the Senate's Bill for promoting Commander Peary, and it looks as though he will have to wait some time for official recognition.

The astonishing part of Bear-Admiral Peary's statement, argued Mr. Moore, was the number of miles travelled every day after Captain Bartlett had left him, when he had no white man with him as a witness. His

greatest marches were singularly all North of Captain Bartlett's camp.

Thereafter, according to Reuter's report, he claims to have averaged 25.4 miles a day until he reached the Pole, 24 miles a day on the way back to Captain Bartlett's camp, and 24.8 miles a day from Bartlett's camp to Cape Columbia. The greatest speed made before Captain Bartlett left him was 9.06 miles a day, so that he must have made nearly three times as great a speed after as before in order to reach the Pole.

Mr. Mason quoted Sir Ernest Shackleton and others to show that ten to twelve miles a day, or slightly over, was the limit of human endurance, over Polar seas.

CHINA'S NEW MINISTER FOR WAR.

We recently published a telegram from Peking announcing that His Excellency General Yin Chang had been appointed Minister for War, and later Reuter informed us of a scheme which His Excellency contemplated for introducing universal military service in China. The following particulars of this interesting project are taken from the Peking Daily News:

"As is generally known, H. E. Yin Chang is a Manchian, and, with the exception of a few years spent in the diplomatic service, has devoted all his life to the military profession. Going to Germany while still a very young man, His Excellency went through a regular course of military studies and practical training in that country, and even at that early period displayed great promise for the military profession. Returning to China in the early 'eighties, he was appointed Director of the Military School at Tientsin, an institution that was established chiefly through his initiative, and rendered conspicuous service by his systematic methods and strict discipline. Under his influence, teachers and students alike became greatly interested in their work, and rapid progress was the general rule and not the exception.

After a few years' service in this school, his abilities were recognized by the Government, and he was appointed Director of the former he was sent as China's Minister to Berlin. There he availed himself of the opportunity to prosecute further his military studies while not neglecting the duties of the diplomatic mission upon which he had been sent. On account of his high personal qualifications, he won the friendship and esteem of the Kaiser and had the honour of frequent interviews with him. His post as an honorary member of the Reichstag, and his position as China's Minister had before him enjoyed no small success.

Returning to China after the conclusion of his full term of service, he was at once given a most important appointment in connection with the re-organization of the new northern army, at the special recommendation of his friend and former colleague His Excellency Yuan. The appointment of His Excellency was a timely and wise step, and he soon made the best use of his opportunities. Possessed of a high sense of duty, a thorough knowledge of the military science, and a deep understanding of the needs of the northern forces, H. E. Yin Chang soon inspired the men under him with his military spirit, after which it was not difficult to bring his army to a standard of smartness and efficiency equal to that of European armies.

After the remarkable series of manoeuvres that took place some years ago in Honan which almost started the world, the credit for such organization and training of the new army was generally given to His Excellency Yuan, while H. E. Yin Chang, who had in the meanwhile received the title of general, was little recognized. This was owing to the fact that General Yin Chang, owing to his natural modesty of disposition, had been content to remain in the background, allowing his superior officer to receive the credit, a large part of which was really his due.

Shortly after the "Boxer" war, General Yin Chang was appointed Vice-President of the Luohian Tu, or Board of War, with His Excellency T'ien Liang as President. But as the latter was not a military man by training or profession, differences began to crop up in their policy, and these soon developed into personal feelings. Finding that no good could be accomplished by his remaining in the service under a chief who really did not know how to appreciate his talents and ability, General Yin Chang decided to give up his post and re-enter the diplomatic service. Accordingly, he was appointed to the post of Minister to Berlin, to the great joy of the German Government.

It is well known for some time, however, that the Throne has not been satisfied with the conduct of affairs in the Luohian Tu, and there has been a good deal of friction between His Excellency T'ien Liang and His Imperial Highness Prince T'ai T'ao. The disagreement has just culminated in the resignation of H. E. T'ien Liang, and the Throne has now shown its willingness by appointing General Yin Chang to the post of Minister to Berlin.

Another significant fact which might be attributed to the appointment is the Government's evident determination to continue the German method of training its military forces throughout the country, as it is well known that General Yin Chang is greatly in favour of adopting the German army as China's model.

CHURCH SERVICES.

PRAX CHURCH—Holy Communion 9 a.m. every Sunday. Union Church, Kennedy Road—Minister: Rev. G. E. Bickling, 11 a.m. Worship: hymns, 450, 195, 91. Psalm 112. Magnificat (Benedict), 4 p.m. Sunday Schools: 6 p.m. Worship, hymns 377, 505, 445 (441), 265. Friday, 8 p.m. Christian Endeavour Society.

"The use of the Bible." Queen's Road, Week—1st Sunday after Easter, 3rd April, 1910. Matins 11 a.m. Venite, Russell, Psalm, Kelsey and Tomlinson; To Deum, Woodward, Smart and Turle; hymns, 199, 147, 170 and 280; Kyrie, and Abba; Holy Communion, 12.15 p.m. Evensong, 8.30 p.m.; Psalm, Hopkins, Kimball and Monte. Battlehill, Andrew and Hopkins; Magnificat; Holy Communion, 12 noon; Kyrie, Hopkins in A.; hymns, 126, and 130. N.B.—Verses 1, 2, and 7 in union; Psalm 16, Verses 1, 6, 9, and 12 in union. Psalm 17, Verses 1, 6, 13, and 15 in union. Evensong (6.45 p.m.) Responsory, Psalm (Psalm of the Evening) (H.), Magnificat, Credo (4th), 7th morning; Nunc Dimittis, Hays (20th morning); hymns, 107, 409 and 12. N.B.—Psalm 15, Verses 1, 2, 7, 13, 14, 17, 27, 31, 38, 50 and 51 in union. The Annual Naval and Military Festival service will be held at 9 p.m. Preacher—The Bishop of Victoria.

RUBBER OUTLOOK.

It would be extremely unwise, simply because the strenuous advance in the shares of rubber companies has received a check, to take it for granted that it signifies the beginning of the end of the prolonged period of boom and excitement. Sooner or later, says the Globe, there will inevitably come a reaction, and the pessimists who never tire of predicting a heavy fall in share values, may, when that time arrives, witness the fulfilment of their gloomy prophecies; but our interpretation of the signs of the times in the market is that, for the present at any rate, the rubber boom has not run its course. It would be futile to attempt to deny that the market is congested with the shares of all sorts and conditions of rubber companies, or that prices in a great many instances, as we pointed out a few days ago, have attained to a level not justified by present results or prospects. But there are circumstances which do not point to the rubber share market which do not obtain in other departments of the Stock Exchange, and which could be relied upon to minimise the disastrous effects of any sudden slump in prices in the event of its occurring. We refer to the fact that comparatively little carrying over is done in rubber shares, and that the business transacted is therefore chiefly on a cash basis. No doubt, should there be a serious relapse in prices, stocks of shares would come to market to still further depress them, but the losses to members of the Stock Exchange would be insignificant in comparison with the losses that are sometimes sustained through the default of clients after a period of activity in other departments where contango facilities are usually obtainable. As we have urged in previous articles on this subject, investors and speculators who exercise caution and discrimination in making their purchases of rubber shares need be under no apprehension, as the outlook generally is not alarming, and there are many companies which, as far as it is humanly possible to judge, have soundness of great proportions to be met, even though the price of the raw material should decline by 50 per cent.

It is to be noted that the latest prices are not the lowest, and that although there was a great deal of selling by profit-taking speculators all the shares offered were readily absorbed at the reduced values. The price of rubber is well maintained in Malaya, consumers buying the raw material to meet their present requirements, and there is not the slightest indication of an immediate decline in value.

The shares of the Temasek (Singapore) Rubber Company stand at a very substantial premium, the present price being 53, which is 21 above the lowest quotation recorded since January last. The prospects of the company are considered to be of a highly encouraging character, as although production for a year or two will be of very modest dimensions, thereafter the output ought to be on an extensive scale. Before three years have expired the trees on 1,400 acres of the company's estate will be in full bearing, and it is estimated that large dividends will be distributed. Out of the company's authorised capital of £75,000, 46,552 shares fully-paid and 12,000 shares of 10s. paid are issued. The company's property is situated in the State of Selangor, F.M.S.

The announcement that the books of the Cley Rubber Estates are to be closed for the third interim dividend—on March 22nd to 31st has not affected the price of the shares, which are now quoted 53, as are still undervalued. The company is known to be doing very well indeed, and it is anticipated in well-informed quarters that the earnings for the year ending 31st inst. will not be far short of 40 per cent. on the issued capital. A cable from the company's manager states the crop of dry rubber for February as 7,750lb, against 7,200lb. in February, 1909. This brings the total crop from April to February 23 to 78,791lb, compared with 42,382lb. to the same date last year, an increase of 36,409lb. for the eleven months.

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With reference to the British Borneo Para Rubber Company, it is announced that the additional 20,000 shares having now been created, increasing the capital of the company to £50,000, it has been decided by the directors to offer these for subscription by the present shareholders at a premium of 15s. per share, payable as follows:—25s. on allotment (including the premium of 15s. per share), and the balance of 15s. as required in call of not more than 5s. each.

We have authority for stating that the Share Guarantees Trust (Limited), under whose auspices the Rim (Malacca) and the Anglo-Johore Rubber Estates were recently launched, has purchased an important property in Sumatra, and a new company has been formed to develop the property. The new company will be known as the Asahan (Sumatra) Rubber Estates (Limited). The property, of which the Share Guarantees Trust (Limited) are the present owners by purchase, comprises about 11,000 acres, of which 850 are already planted, and 5,000 acres ready for planting. Its extent, therefore, is nearly equal to the combined areas of the Rim and the Anglo-Johore—the former's total being 3,500 acres and the latter's 8,000. The planted portion exceeds that of the Rim, and is only 160 acres less than the Anglo-Johore's. The fact that a tract of no less than 5,000 acres is already in use, implies that the new company can begin at once to forward a state that planting can begin at once, and that the new company will promptly assume relative importance in the rubber-plantation industry.

The United Serdang (Sumatra) Rubber Plantations (1907) is in a big way of business, and its shares are well supported, the present price being 53. It owns a property extending to 11,282 acres on the East Coast of Sumatra, 7,250 acres being so far planted with no fewer than 502,500 trees. At present production is not on an extensive scale, but it is increasing, and by 1912 the company should be one of the largest rubber producers in the world.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Messrs. Vernon & Smyth in their weekly share report dated April 1st, state:—With this issue we have to announce the retirement of Mr. J. Y. V. Vernon, whose interest and responsibility in our firm ceased on the 31st March, 1910. Business during the past week has been fairly active locally, whilst in "Rubbers" a large amount has been negotiated at continually advancing rates. Exchange on London closes at 1/3 1/4 T. T. and on Shanghai at 74 1/4 T. T. Silver is quoted firm in London at 24 3/16.

BANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghai have been booked at 99 3/4 and 99 1/2, and at the higher rate further shares are available. London is unchanged at 93 1/2. Nationals continue in demand at 97 1/2.

MARINE INSURANCES.—Unions have sold and have further buyers at 99 1/2. Cantons are wanted at 97 1/2 and China Traders at 92.

FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkong are firm at 33 1/2 with 5s. and further buyers. Chinas are in demand at 31 1/2, and a slightly higher rate would probably be paid for a suitable parcel. Sunlight are bought after sales at 33 1/2 have declined to 33 1/2. Indes have been booked at 36 1/2, 36 1/2, and 37, and close in request at 36 1/2. China and Manilla have sold and are wanted at 37. Shells have further advanced and are now quoted at 92 1/2 with sales and buyers.

REFINERS.—China Sugars are a strong market at 154 with no shares to be had at the rate. Luzons are neglected at 29 with sellers predominating.

MIXTURES.—Hanks after sales at 63 are wanted at 63. Chinese Engineerings are steady at 70.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have eased off further, but can now be placed at 57. Kowloon Wharves have declined to 59, at which rate sellers predominate. Shanghai Docks are steady at 112. 32, and Shanghai Hongkong Wharves are firm at the improved rate of 112.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands have sold and have further buyers at 310 1/2. Sales are reported of Hotel at 81 1/2, ex-div., and of H. W. H. Estates at 89 1/2, both selling firm. Kowloon Lands are wanted at 32 1/2.

COTTON MILLS.—Ewos have improved in the North to 12s. 14 1/2. Internationals are quoted at 12s. 6 1/2, Laos Kung Mows at 12s. 7 1/2, and Soy Chies at 12s. 300 ex-div. Hongkong Cottons have sold and are in further request at 56 1/2.

MISCELLANEOUS.—China-Bornes after sales at 59 and 59 1/2 have improved to 61, at which rate there are buyers. Cantons are firm at 57, Peak Trams at 14 1/2 and 15 1/2 for old and new shares, respectively, and China Lights at 36 1/2. There are sellers of Electrics at 32 1/2, Ropes at 21 1/2, Water Boats at 39, Watsons at 37 and Powells at 33.

BUTTERIES.—Anglo-Malaya have been done at advancing rates from 33 1/2 to 36 1/2, closing firm. Balgownie have been sold to the South at 32 1/2 and Sandycroft at 33 1/2. Batu Tikas are firm at 100 1/2. Bukit Keng have been done at 98 1/2, and higher rates are expected to have been paid. Castlefields are wanted in London at 120, and Leburys at 100 1/2. London Ventures have improved to 11 1/2, and Merlans to 8 1/2. Chang Kat Serdangs have been done at 32 1/2, and Singapore and Johore at 31 1/2. United Serdangs have been booked at 16 1/2 to 18 1/2, closing with probable buyers at the higher rates. Kankalangs are wanted at 10 1/2 premium, and Eastern and International Traders at 37 premium. Kuala Lumpur can be placed at 220, and Sapong at 46 1/2. Linggis are wanted at 59 1/2, and Shalfords at 75 1/2.

DEVELOPMENT OF THE JAPANESE IRON INDUSTRY.

H. M. Commercial Attaché at Yokohama supplies some interesting particulars of the Japan Steel Foundry, now being erected at Muroran, in a report to the Board of Trade. The foundry, as is known, is a joint undertaking, half of the capital having been supplied by a Japanese company, and the other half by two British companies. The plans for the foundry were mostly drawn up by a Japanese official, who is the technical adviser of the company, and the preliminary work has been left almost entirely to Japanese. Later on some British foremen will be sent to Japan to assist them, and several Japanese are in England receiving training. The object of the company is the manufacture of iron and ammunition for the Japanese army and navy, and also of railway carriage wheels and axles and various kinds of steel manufactures. The coal and coke required will probably be purchased from a Japanese company, which owns collieries and coke ovens within a few hours' rail of Muroran. Manganeses are obtained from the mines in the neighbourhood. The problem of obtaining pig-iron in one which presents difficulty.

At first it was thought that Swedish and Spanish products would be used. Experiments are now being carried on, however, in Japan, with a view to the utilisation of the enormous quantities of iron sand along the shore of Volcano Bay; but, before the sand can be made into pig-iron, it has to be mixed with other ore and brought to the Abuta iron mine is not far from Muroran, but the deposits are not very extensive, and would not suffice for the requirements of more than the first few years. In the neighbouring district of Kutahira, however, there are large quantities of a similar ore, which might be utilised. The buildings provided for in the plans of the foundry include two machine shops, a forging shop, tempering and shrinking shop, pattern shop, smith and hammer shop, power house, foundry, gas producer, laboratory and test room, drawing and document room.

Mr. J. E. Munn, who is in charge of the foundry, will be in working order before next July at the earliest.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
CHIEFLI, British str., 1,142, Lindberg, 31st March—Sourabaya, Sugar—Butterfield & Swire.
DEVANHA, British str., 4,785, H. Powell, 1st April—Shanghai 29th March, General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
HAIYANG, British str., 1,363, A. E. Hodgins, 1st April—Coast Ports 31st March, General—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.
HONGKONG, British str., 2,160, J. H. Hainsworth, 1st April—Singapore 20th March, General—Chinsee.
KAIYONG, British str., 937, Warlock, 31st March—Cebu and Hilo 27th March, Sugar—Butterfield & Swire.
KUICHOW, British str., 1,234, Mangelorff, 1st April—Bangkok 23rd March, Rice and General—Butterfield & Swire.
SIG CHUN, British str., 1st April—Canton.
TAMING, British str., 1,350, G. H. Pennafather, 1st April—Manila 29th March, Sugar and Hemp—Butterfield & Swire.
TRIKANFU, Chinese str., 1,260, Jullensen, 31st March—Saigon 27th March, Rice—Waller & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOR MASTER'S OFFICE.
 1st April.
Asia, British str., for Shanghai.
Exochord, British str., for Europe, &c.
Frith, British str., for Hongkong.
Rubi, British str., for Manila.

DEPARTURES.

1st April.
AMIGO, German str., for Hoihow.
DAGET, Norwegian str., for Tientsin.
GLACIOUS, British str., for Saigon.
HAIKING, British str., for Canton.
HEINRICH, Norwegian str., for Fremantle, W.A.
LOONGSANG, British str., for Daluy.
MENELAUS, German str., for Bangkok.
SANO MARU, Japanese str., for Kobe.
SINGAN, British str., for Hoihow.
VICTORIA, Swedish str., for Hoihow.
WINGSONG, British str., for Swatow.
XESDO, Swedish str., for Singapore.

SHIPPING REPORTS.
 The British str. *Tamung* reports: Light N.E. winds and fine weather throughout.
 The *Exochord* reports: Had thick fog from Swatow to Amoy; thence clear weather to Hongkong.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

April 1st.
Kowloon Dock—Sabine Rickmers, *Sancleary*, H.M.S. *Officer*, *Atlantic*, *Wo Kwai*, H.M.F.M.S. *Patric*, H.M.S. *Fama*.
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THE Steamship
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 will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 2nd April at 5 P.M.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to
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 Hongkong, 30th March, 1910. [462]

DAMPFSCHIFFS-RHEDEREI "UNION"
 A.G. (Hamburg).

FOR NEW YORK
 (With Liberty to Call at Malabar Coast).

THE Steamship
"VERONA"
 Captain Kammell, will be despatched for the above Port on MONDAY, the 4th April.
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 Hongkong, 30th March, 1910. [465]

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THE Steamship
"ISCHIA"
 Captain Belio, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 12th inst., at Noon.
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 Hongkong, 1st April, 1910. [4]



AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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 For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to
SANDEB, WIELER & Co.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 1st April, 1910. [13]

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "k," nearest Hongkong "h," midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "m," and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "k.w." together with the number denoting the section.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION.	VESSEL'S NAME.	FLAG & NO.	BERTH.	CAPTAIN.	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO.	TO BE DESPATCHED.
LONDON, &c. via USUAL PORTS OF CALL.	DEVANHA	Brit. str.	—	H. Powell	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day, at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, &c.	MANILA	Brit. str.	—	W. E. Le Mare, R.N.E.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 5th inst.
LONDON, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP.	FLINTSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	G. J. Candy	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	About 6th inst.
ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG via STRAITS, &c.	GLAMORGANSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	H. C. Norris	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	About 21st inst.
COPENHAGEN & BALITIC PORTS.	LYBIA	Ger. str.	k. w.	Wagner	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 15th inst.
MARSHALLS & HAMBURG via STRAITS, &c.	TRANQUEBAR	Ger. str.	k. w.	Fass	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 15th inst.
MARSHALLS, LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, &c.	SPERZA	Ger. str.	—	Broc	MESSEGERIES MARITIMES	On 12th inst.
MARSHALLS, LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, &c.	POLYNESIAN	Ger. str.	—	T. Mural	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 12th inst., at 1 P.M.
MARSHALLS, LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, &c.	MYAZAKI MARU	Jap. str.	—	F. E. Cope	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 27th inst., at 11 P.M.
MARSHALLS, LONDON & ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, &c.	KITANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. L. Harrison	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	About first half of May
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERES, GIBRALTAR, &c.	CATHAY	Ger. str.	—	O. Fahnke	MELCHERS & Co.	On 6th inst., at Noon
TRIESTE, &c. via SINGAPORE, &c.	KLEIST	Ger. str.	—	Ratcliff	SANDEB, WIELER & Co.	On 26th inst.
NEW YORK	AUSTRIA	Ger. str.	—	Kummel	CARLOWITZ & Co.	On 4th inst.
NEW YORK & BOSTON	VERONA	Ger. str.	—	—	ARNHOLD, KARBBERG & Co.	On 26th inst.
SAN FRANCISCO	DACRE CASTLE	Brit. str.	—	—	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	On 12th inst.
YANCOUVER, B.C. TACOMA & SEATTLE via JAPAN	STRATSPET	Brit. str.	—	J. Boyd	SHAW, TOMES & Co.	About 2nd inst.
YANCOUVER (DIRECT)	ATYMERIC	Brit. str.	—	—	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	On 7th inst.
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	2 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 23rd inst., at 7 A.M.
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	MONTEAGLE	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 24th inst., at Noon
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, &c.	INARA MARU	Jap. str.	—	K. Kawara	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 24th inst., at Noon
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, &c.	SEATTLE MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Saito	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 24th inst., at Noon
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	YANATA MARU	Jap. str.	—	T. Sekine	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 27th inst., at Noon
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	TAIYUAN	Jap. str.	1 m.	L. Dawson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 15th inst., at Noon
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	CORLENN	Jap. str.	—	H. Raegener	MELCHERS & Co.	On 21st inst., at 4 P.M.
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	NIKKO MARU	Jap. str.	—	M. Yagi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 22nd inst., at Noon
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	CORLENN	Jap. str.	—	H. Raegener	MELCHERS & Co.	About 2nd inst.
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	NIKKO MARU	Jap. str.	—	M. Yagi	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 13th inst., at Noon
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	HIRANO MARU	Jap. str.	—	H. Fraser	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 14th inst., at Noon
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	TULIATAP	Dut. str.	—	P. J. van Emmerik	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	On 5th inst., at 4 P.M.
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	TUNGUS	Ger. str.	k. w.	G. Hooker	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	KUICHOW	Brit. str.	1 m.	A. E. Sandbach	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	To-day, at 5 P.M.
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	MONMOUTHSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	Sidford	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	To-morrow, at Daylight
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	1 m.	C. Lindbergh	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at Daylight
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	SHANGHAI WEIHAUW, CHEPOO & NEWCHANG	Brit. str.	1 m.	M. Courtney	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 4th inst., at 4 P.M.
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	—	B. Wilhelm	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 5th inst.
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	SHANGHAI KOBE & YOKOHAMA	Brit. str.	—	G. Phillips, R.N.E.	MELCHERS & Co.	About 6th inst.
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	—	T. Suruga	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 1st inst., at 8 A.M.
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	SHANGHAI KOBE & YOKOHAMA	Brit. str.	—	Block	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 7th inst., at 4 P.M.
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	—	Magnus	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 8th inst.
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	—	Taranaka	MESSEGERIES MARITIMES	On 10th inst., at 11 P.M.
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	—	A. Pander	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 11th inst., at Noon
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	—	Y. Yamamoto	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 14th inst., at 4 P.M.
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	—	Y. Kaburaki	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	On 13th inst., at 10 A.M.
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	—	Mathias	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at 10 A.M.
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	—	Hodgins	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	—	J. S. Resch	DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.	To-morrow, at 10 A.M.
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	—	J. Warrack	DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.	On 5th inst., at 10 A.M.
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	—	Pennedatier	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 10 A.M.
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	—	E. H. Rolfe	SHAW, TOMES & Co.	To-day, at Noon
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	—	E. Rodger	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 5th inst., at 3 P.M.
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	—	A. W. Outerbridge	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 8th inst., at Noon
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	—	S. J. Payne	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 9th inst., at Noon
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	—	Y. Nomura	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 12th inst., at 3 P.M.
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	—	Belio	CARLOWITZ & Co.	On 13th inst., at Noon
YANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	SHANGHAI	Brit. str.	—	Bradley	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 4th inst., at Noon
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FOR.	STEAMERS.	TO SAIL.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	"COBLENZ"	About 2nd April.
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERES, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP & BREMEN	"KLEIST"	Wed., 6th April, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"GOEBEN"	About 6th April.
MANILA, YAP, NEW GUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"COBLENZ"	Friday, 2nd April, at 11 P.M.

For further Particulars, apply to
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 Hongkong, 30th March, 1910. 5

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"EMPERESS OF JAPAN" Sat., 4th June	"EMPERESS OF BRITAIN" Fri., 1st July
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SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"SALAZIE"	Capt. Magnan On 11th April, P.M.
MARSHALLS, via PORTS	"POLYNESIAN"	Capt. Broc On 12th April, 1 P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"AUSTRALIAN"	Capt. Biquier On 25th April, P.M.
MARSHALLS, via PORTS	"OCEANIAN"	Capt. Salier On 26th April, 1 P.M.

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Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London, other cargo for London &c. will be conveyed via Bombay by the R.M.S. "MANTUA" due in London on the 13th May, 1910.
 Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.
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E. A. HEWETT,
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 Hongkong, 21st March, 1910. [1]

JAVA ASIATIC S.S. COMPANY.
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 (Taking through Cargo to Los Angeles.)

THE Steamship
"STRATHSPEY"
 Will be despatched for the above Port on or about the 2nd April.
 For Freight and Further Particulars apply to
SHAW, TOMES & Co.,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 23rd March, 1910. [430]

FOR WLADIWOSTOCK.
THE Steamship
"TUNGUS"
 Captain Halverton, will be despatched for the above Port on TUESDAY, the 5th April, 1910, at 4 P.M.
 For Freight or Passage, apply to—
HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE,
 Agents.
 Hongkong, 25th March, 1910. [455]

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LTD.
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THE Steamship
"FLYINGSHIRE"
 Capt. G. C. Candy, will be despatched as above on or about the 5th April.
 For Freight, or Passage, apply to—
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
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 Hongkong, 29th March, 1910. [358]

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

FOR VANCOUVER.

THE Steamship
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 From Hongkong,
 On THURSDAY, the 7th April,
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 Hongkong, 29th March, 1910. [466]

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

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"DACRE CASTLE" On 12th April.
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 Hongkong, 11th March, 1910. [296-312]

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 Captain H. C. Norris, will be despatched as above on or about 21st April.
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 Hongkong, 3rd March, 1910. [359]

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
LONDON via USUAL PORTS	DEVANHA	Noon, 2nd April	See Special of Call.
LONDON and ANTWERP	MANILA	About 5th April	Freight only.
ANG COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSHALLS	Capt. W. R. E. Mare, R.N.M.	April	
SHANGHAI MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	Capt. J. Phillips	About 6th April	Freight and Passage.

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H. A. HEWETT, Superintendents
Hongkong, 31st March, 1910.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
HANGKOW	"CHIHUI"	On 2nd April, 10 A.M.
TIENTSIN	"KUCHOW"	On 2nd April, 4 P.M.
AMOI, CEBU & ILOILO	"KAIKONG"	On 2nd April, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	On 3rd April, 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & NEWCHANG	"SZECHUEN"	On 3rd April, 10 A.M.
MANILA	"TAIYUAN"	On 5th April, 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"ANHUI"	On 7th April, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHINHUA"	On 10th April, 10 A.M.
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 12th April, 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	On 14th April, 4 P.M.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	"TAKING"	On 21st April, 4 P.M.

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GOTHENBURG

DESTINATION	STEAMERS	DATE OF SAILING
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"TRANQUEBAR"	End of April
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"PERKING"	End of April
MARSHALLS, COPENHAGEN and BALTIC PORTS	"CATHAY"	About first half of May
COPENHAGEN and BALTIC PORTS	"TRANQUEBAR"	End of May

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Hongkong, 2nd April, 1910.

INDO-CHINA S. NAV. CO., LD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	"HANGSANG"	Sunday, 3rd April, 10 A.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"KUTSANG"	Monday, 4th April, Noon.
SHANGHAI	"CHOWSANG"	Monday, 4th April, 4 P.M.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"KUMSANG"	Friday, 8th April, Noon.
MANILA	"YUENSANG"	Friday, 8th April, 4 P.M.
MANILA	"LOONGSANG"	Friday, 15th April, 4 P.M.

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Hongkong, 1st April, 1910.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LIMITED.

STEAMERS	FOR	LEAVING
"HAIYANG," Capt. A. E. Hodgins	SWATOW & AMOI	SUNDAY, 3rd April, at 10 A.M.
"HAIYAN," Capt. J. S. Rosch	SWATOW, AMOI and FOCHOW	TUESDAY, 5th April, at 10 A.M.

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S.S. SILESIA ... 21st April.	S.S. C. FERD. LAEISZ 15th April.
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S.S. SUEVIA ... 18th May.	S.S. LIBERIA ... 15th April.

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DESTINATION.	STEAMERS.	TONS.	SAILING DATES.
MARSHALLS, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	MIYAZAKI MARU Capt. T. Murai	9,000	WED'DAY, 13th April, at Daylight
	KITANO MARU Capt. F. E. Cope	9,000	WED'DAY, 27th April, at Daylight.
	IYO MARU Capt. T. L. Harrison	7,000	WED'DAY, 11th May, at Daylight.
VICTORIA B.C. & SEATTLE	KAMAKURA MARU Capt. K. Kori	7,000	SATURDAY, 23rd April, from Kobe.
VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE, via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and YOKOHAMA	INABA MARU Capt. K. Kawara	7,000	TUESDAY, 26th April, at Noon.
	TAMBA MARU Capt. K. Sato	7,000	TUESDAY, 24th May, at Noon.
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	YAWATA MARU Capt. T. Sekine	5,000	FRIDAY, 15th April, at Noon.
	NIKKO MARU Capt. M. Yagi	6,000	FRIDAY, 13th May, at Noon.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	TOSA MARU Capt. Y. Nomura	6,000	TUESDAY, 5th April.
SHANGHAI and KOBE	BOMBAY MARU Capt. Teranaka	5,000	TUESDAY, 12th April.
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	NIKKO MARU Capt. M. Yagi	6,000	WED'DAY, 13th April, at Noon.
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	HIRANO MARU Capt. H. Fraser	9,000	THURSDAY, 14th April, at Noon.

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Hongkong, 2nd April, 1910.

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SHANGHAI via SWATOW, AMOI & FOCHOW	"CHOSHUN MARU" Capt. T. SURUGA	THURSDAY, 7th April, at 8 A.M.
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ARIA, British str., 2,936, Harry Gunkroper, 24th March—San Francisco 23rd Feb. General—P. M. S. S. Co.

ATLANTIS, American str., 961, E. de Ozezo, 22nd March—Manila 18th March—J. M. Ben.

BOURBON, French str., 997, Rose, 30th March—Saigon 27th March, General—Matheon & Co.

DAIJIN MARU, Jap. str., 892, Y. Kuburaki, 30th March—Swatow 29th March, General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

FAUBANG, British str., 1,410, H. S. Malkin, 27th March—Saigon 23rd March, Rice and General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

FOOSHING, British str., 1,423, T. Lishman, 31st Mar.—Taku Bar via Tsingtau and Swatow 30th March, Salt and General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

GERMANIA, German str., 600, C. Jepsen, 22nd March—South Sea via Sydney 27th Jan., Capt.—Siemssen & Co.

HANAN, British str., 1,356, S. Wilda, 30th March—Shanghai 23rd and Swatow 29th March, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

HILARY, German str., 1,226, E. Haase, 31st March—Macassar 22nd March, Sugar and General—Jawa-China-Japan Line.

HUNAN, British str., 1,143, Wm. Benson, 21st March—Wuhu and Chinkiang 16th Mar., General—Butterfield & Swire.

JOHANN, German str., 952, M. Jylland, 31st March—Saigon 30th March, Timber and General—Jensen & Co.

KUANGSUNG, British str., 1,215, W. B. Brown, 26th Mar.—Tientsin 20th Mar., General—Butterfield & Swire.

KUMSANG, British str., 2,078, W. G. G. Leach, 31st March—Calcutta, Penang and Singapore 25th March, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

KUTSANG, British str., 4,895, E. C. D. Bradley, 30th March—Moji 25th March, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

KWANGLEE, Chinese str., 1,468, Lincoln, 29th March—Shanghai 25th March, General—C. M. S. N. Co.

LIYAN, British str., 1,352, C. C. Williams, 30th March—Shanghai 27th March, General—Butterfield & Swire.

LINCOLN, British str., 2,347, C. S. Jackson, 19th March—New York via Port Natal 27th Dec. Case Oil—Standard Oil Co.

NANSAN, British str., 1,299, Chas. Wynn, 30th March—Saigon 26th March, Rice and Paddy—Bradley & Co.

PATONG, British str., 1,270, Jones, 10th March—Saigon 4th March, Rice and Paddy—Butterfield & Swire.

PRINCE GEORGE, German str., 1,944, D. Lens, 27th March—Nagasaki 22nd March, General—Melchers & Co.

PRUTHI, British str., 2,067, Gass, 3rd March—Salif 1st February, Salt—Doddwell & Co.

QUINTA, German str., 1,000, Schlesinger, 28th March—Saigon 23rd March, Rice—Siemssen & Co.

RUBI, British str., 1,619, A. Fraser, 28th Mar.—Manila 25th March, Hemp—Shewan, Tomes & Co.

SANSEN, German str., 998, R. Petersen, 30th March—Bangkok 23rd March, Rice—Butterfield & Swire.

SELUN, Norwegian 865, D. Hoobinder, 29th March—Saigon 24th March, Rice—Bane & Co.

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From April 2nd to 6th, 1910.

Day	HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER.	
	Time	Height	Time	Height
1st	10.15	11.0	4.15	2.0
2nd	11.15	11.0	5.15	2.0
3rd	12.15	11.0	6.15	2.0
4th	13.15	11.0	7.15	2.0
5th	14.15	11.0	8.15	2.0

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, April 1st

	Previous Day	On 1st	On 2nd
Barometer	29.93	30.03	29.96
Thermometer	67	69	69
Humidity	87	83	81
Wind Direction	E	E	E
Force	3	3	0
Weather	8	0	0
Rain	—	—	—

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Lowest open air Temperature on 31st Mar.: 65.

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